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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Mayumi TOMIKAWA et al.

Serial No. 09/909,809

Group Art Unit: 1631

Confirmation No. 6031

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Examiner: DEJONG, Eric S.

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR EXTRACTING AND EVALUATING MUTUALLY  
SIMILAR PORTIONS IN ONE-DIMENSIONAL SEQUENCES IN MOLECULES AND/OR  
THREE-DIMENSIONAL STRUCTURES OF MOLECULES

**AMENDMENT/RESPONSE BEING FILED WITH RCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 22, 2007, and having a period for response set to expire on February 22, 2007. A petition and fee for a one-month Extension of Time is enclosed, thereby extending the response period to March 22, 2007.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.